GAIN IN DEPOSITS **DURING LAST YEAR**

REPORT SHOWS AN INCREASE OF ABOUT \$8,000,000-IMPORTANT CHANGES.

DISPATCHES FROM COLUMBIA

Doings and Happenings That Mark the Progress of South Carolina Pecple, Gathered Around the State Capitol.

Deposits in state banks exceed by more than 20 per cent, the total at this season of last year, although the number of state and branch banks has decreased by 10. The gain in deposits is nearly eight millions of dol-

Rediscounts and bills payable show a decrease of nearly two millions of dollars. The loans and discounts and total resources show an increase of more than four and one-half millions. Other items exhibit no important

These facts appear from a consolidated statement of the 301 state banks and trust companies, the two private banks and the 12 branch banke in South Carolina, which answered the call of the state bank examiner, Ivy M. Mauldin, of Pickens, for statements as of March 7. The comparison is with the statement of March 7

consolidated statement just made by Examiner Mauldin shows-Loans and discounts \$54,685,180.70. The capital stock paid in was \$11,601,-590.70, and as urplus fund of \$4,685,-713.51. All deposits amounted to \$45,252,753.91, and the total resources and liabilities were \$71,933,002.96.

New Board To Avert Strikes.

John Adger Law of Spartanburg and John Lee Davis of Columbia have been appointed by Governor Manning as members of the state board of conciliation, provided for by an act passed by the general assembly at its last sessions. Mr. Law holds office for six years, Mr. Davis for four. Mr. Law is appointed as "an employer of labor in behalf of an incorporated company." Mr. Davis as "a member of a recognized labor union." The third member to be chosen jointly by the Messrs, Law and Davis, is to be neither an employer of labor in behalf of an incorporated company nor

Mr. Law is president of the Saxon mills in Spartanburg county. He is one of the best known and most experienced textile operators in the Piedmont region and has also had wide experience in banking. He is a son of the Rev. Thomas Hart Law, for many years stated clerk of the Southern Presbyterian general assembly. He resides with his family in the Saxon mill community, takes constant personal interest in promoting the welfare of his employes and has been a strong supporter of the textile institute nearby, the purpose of which is to enable mill workers to qualify themselves for better pay and more skilful and responsible employment. He is 47 years of age.

Mr. Davis' name was on the list submitted to the governor by organizer labor. Born 30 years ago in Newberry, he has lived in Columbia during the last ten years and is at present a linotype operator in the office of The State. Mr. Davis has held several important positions in the councils of union craftsmen. He has been president of the Columbia local of the International Typographical union and at present is an organizer for the American Federation of Labor and the South Carolina federation. He was minute clerk of the South Carolina Federation of Labor at its last convention. During the recent strike of platform employes of the Columbia Railway, Gas and Electric Company, he was a member of the board of mediation, through which an amicable adjustment was effected.

Public Printing Contracts Let. The joint committee on printing of

the house and senate awarded contracts for about \$10,000 worth of state printing to ten firms in the state. these having submitted lowest bids. The list of successful bidders follows: R. L. Bryan company of Columbia, The State company of Columbia. DuPre Printing company of Cohombia. Carey Printing company of Columbia, Sloan Printing company of Columbia, Lutheran Board of Publication of Columbia, Peace Printing company of Greenville, Oulla Printing company of Anderson, Greenwood Index Printing company of Greenwood and the Dillon Herald Printing company of Dillon.

Nurses Elect Officers.

Columbia.—Spartanburg was selected as the next convention city by the Xavier Infirmary, Charleston; first vice dition to all the appropriation bills Miss Zadie Gulledge, Columbia.

NATION WEAK FOR PRIZES ARE MANY LACK OF NITRATES

SENATOR SMITH OF S. C. DE-CLARES UNITED STATES IS TOTALLY UNPREPARED.

NOTABLE DAY IN CONGRESS TO WORK FOR 22 MEDALS

Nitrates a Second Class Power Could Make Us Surrender.

Washington.—Debate in Congress on various proposals for the erection of a government plant for the fixation of atmospheric nitrogen occupied a whole day. The pending amendment was that of Senator Smith of South Carolina to appropriate \$15,000 for a plant, site and process to be determined by the war department. The surplus capacity over the government's needs in peace times, under the proposal, would go into the manufacture of fertilizer to be sold by the government through the secretary of

Senator Hardwick of Georgia at tacked this phase of the amendment as socialistic. He declared himself unalterably opposed to embarking the government on any such venture. Senator Smith said he had framed the amendment with the purpose of reducing the cost of fertilizer to the farmer because by a happy circumstance, the government's military needs and those of the farmer could be met at the same time.

The European war was not an unmixed evil, said the South Carolina senator, as it had convinced the people that the United States was totally unprepared on sea or land to face what may be before it. He declared that the basis of all modern warfare was nitric acid and yet no step had been Germany's successful resistance, he ashad foreseen the need of using atmos pheric nitrogen and developed a way

"This vast expense we are contemplating for the army and navy," Senator Smith said, "will be absolutely useless if we are cut off from our supply of nitrates."

Senator Lodge also attacked the project but addressed himself parment investigation of the question of water-power sites and the be used.

Senator Underwood asserted that his amendment favored no specific project but only sought a full investigation of the subject.

"There is not a senator here," said Senator Underwood, "who does not realize the deplorable conditions this country would be in because of shorttage of nitrates for explosives if war should be declared against us. A second rate power could make us surrender in six months if we had no surplus of nitrogen and it had plenty."

LOST 200,000 AT VERDUN.

French War Office Says Slaughter o Germans Has Been Gigantic. Paris.—The German losses before

Verdun up to the present have reached a total of 200,000 men, one of the greatest battle losses in the whole range of warfare according to semiofficial estimates made public here-'the result of careful inquiry made in the highest quarters in which the figures have been rigorously checked and verified."

"Documentary and verbal testimony gathered and authenticated permit the giving of precise details concerning the losses suffered by the Germans and by us on the Verdun front," says the semi-official communication given to the Associated Press. During the period from February 21, when the battle began, to April 1, it is known that two army corps, namely the Third and the Eighteenth, have been withdrawn from the front, having lost in the first attacks at least one-third of since and have again suffered like

"The German reinforcements are practically used up as fast as they are put in line. The total effectives of the Eighteenth Corps have in this way lost 17,000 men and the Third Corps has lost 22,000 men.'

World's Largest Tobacco Order. New York .- An order for 20,000,000 nounds of American tobacco for delivery to European governments, principally to France and Italy, was executed here by the firm of Gaston, Williams and Wigmore. It is said to be the largest order of its kind placed is

Child Labor Bill Won't Pass Soon. Washington. - Senator Overman thinks it will be a long time before South Carolina Graduate Nurses' Asso the child labor bill can come up in ciation. New officers were elected as the senate. Now pressing that body follows: President, Miss Mary C. Mc- for consideration are the naval, rural Kena, superintendent of St. Francis credits and ship purchase bills, in adpresident, Miss Alice Agnew, superin- and others, including the President's tendent of the Greenville hospital; sec- policy. These will render almost imond vice president, Miss Fannie J. Bu- possible any early consideration of low, Charleston; secretary, Miss An- child labor, and there are chances tonia Gibson, health service nurse of that it will go over into the next sesthe Civic League of Sumter; treasurer, sion. Advocates of the measure are trying to have it given consideration.

IN SCHOOL MEET

YOUNG ORATORS AND ATHLETES FROM ALL OVER STATE WILL

Senator Underwood Sald for Lack of All Entries For High School Contests Must Be in by April 15.-Schools Are Urged to Come In.

> Columbia.-The state high school oratorical and athletic meet will be held in Columbia Thursday and Friday, April 27 and 28. The preliminaries for the oratorical contest will be held Thursday afternoon in the class rooms and society halls of the University of South Carolina. The finals in the oratorical contest will be held Thursday night in the chapel of the university. Two gold medals are goods still continue very firm, and offered for first and second places in oratory and a beautiful trophy cup to higher prices being paid for fast colthe school whose representative wins first place. In 1915 Dakyns Stover of the Greenville high school won first place and the Greenville high school holds the trophy cup in oratory. Second place in oratory was won by Edwin Quattlebaum of the Columbia high school.

The track meet will be held Friday, April 28, on the university field, the preliminaries being held in the morning and the finals in the afternoon. Pickens high school won the Sylvan trophy cup in 1915 for scoring the highest number of points, while the Greenville nigh ...ool was

Twenty-two medals are offered to the contestants in track athletics. 11 gold and 11 bronze medals. Each medal has the State seal upon it with the name of the event on the back. Ribtaken to insure an adequate supply bons with the name of the association stamped upon them are given to serted, was due to the fact that she those wining third place in any track

Master of Columbia is offering a beautiful trophy cup to the boy in the track meet who wins the highest number of points. The contestants have every incentive to work for

The secretary of the association, M E. Brockman of Greenville, is urging tially to the amendment offered by all schools with three high school Senator Underwood of Alabama grades to come into the association which would provide for a war depart and will accept an application up to April 15 from any school desiring to oscome a member, provided the nam of the speaker with his subject, age. grade, scholarship, together with the names of the contestants in track with age, grade and scholarship, is sent to him by the 18th. Letters to this effect are being mailed to a number of schols which have not yet be come members of the state associa-This is done to encourage tion. schools to come in which participate in field days between the 1st and 15th of April and realize what good material they have.

The University of South Carolina furnishes free entertainment. The only cost to the schools is railroad fare, which is nominal if block tickets are bought, and even where this can't be done the cost is low.

Extending "Morris Plan" Banks. Columbia.-Existence of well considered plans for development in South Carolina at an early date of a system of "Morris plan" banks, headquarters to be in Columbia, transpired incidentally through informal discussion at a dinner which James A. Hoyt gave at the Jefferson in honor of the founder of the Morris industrial loan organization, Arthur J. Morris, of New York

Sketched though it is in principle. the project remains to be worked out in detail. The movement is due to interest aroused in the Piedmont through th operation of Morris plan banks in Columbia and Charleston. Mr. Morris accompanied by Mr. Hoyt, left Columbia by invitation for the upcountry to canvass with local promoters the prospects for such institheir force. They have re-appeared tutions in Spartanburg, Greenville and

> Enlarge Spartanburg Hotels. Spartanburg.-W. T. Finch, proprietor of the Finch hotel, has announced the purchase of valuable property on East Main street to be utilized in erecting an addition to the present Finch hotel to cost between \$75,000 and \$100,000. He has paid \$25,000 for the lot to be utilized and says construction will begin at an early date. This addition to the Spartanburg hotels and the building of the Cleveland at a cost of \$250,000, will give the city the most modern facilities in

this direction. A commission has been issued to the Johnston Times company of John ston, in Edgefield county with a capital of \$5,000. The petitioners are: J. R. McGhee, James G. Holmes and O.

M. McGhee. The Carolina Tire Company of Columbia has been commissioned with a cities competed. capital of \$1,000. The petitioners are: J. M. Chapman and Ashley C. Tobias,

A charter has been issued to the Florence Tailoring Company with a capital of \$1.00. The officers are: T. M. Stevenson, president, and M. R | replace the dormitories, recently de-McCorm, secretary and treasurer

STAPLE SOUTHERN GINGHAMS ADVANCE

HIGHER PRICES ARE BEING PAID FOR FAST COLORED COTTON

DUE TO HIGH COST OF DYE

Ginghams Reaches New High Record. -Bleached Goods High,-Fancy Goods Active at High Prices.

New York.—Cotton goods market continue strong in price with trading on a smaller scale. There are still many orders being booked for goods to be delivered all through this year, and some instances are reported of buyers trying to make engagements into next year. The jobbers are much less active in purchases than the manufacturing trades. Color cotton frequent instances are reported of

Staple Southern ginghams were advanced another quarter of a cent during the past week to a basis of seven cents a yard, one cent a yard higher than similar goods ever sold. This high price is due largely to the high cost of fast dyes. Bleached goods continue firm with an advancing tendency. Wide sheetings are sold in many instances to the end of the year and many brands ar sold ahead into September.

Cotton duck rules very firm. Print cloths and convertibles are firm. with advances reported in satechs, twills and some heavy drolls. Fancy goods are active at higher prices, late contracts being placed. Fine yarn goods are exceedingly high and firm.

Quote prices are as follows: Print cloths, 28-inch 64x64s, 4 cents; 64x 60s, 3 7-8 cents; 38 1-2 inch 64x64s, 5 1-2 cents; brown sheetings, Southern standards, 8 cents; denims, 2.20s, Indigo, 18 1-2 cents; tickings, 8 ounce, 15 cents; standard staple ginghams, 8 cents; standard staple prints, 6 1-2 cents; dress ginghams

MEXICANS OFFER WIRES.

Telephone and Telegraph at Service of American Expedition.

San Antonio, Texas.-The Mexican military authorities have offered the American punitive expedition the use of Mexican telegraph and telephone lines, according to General Pershing's report to General Funston. The offer was made to the aviators who landed in Chihuahua last week.

The drivers of the aeroplanes said they had been treated courteously by General Gutierrez, commanding officer, after it was demonstrated that they had come as friends. Before that a few stones had been thrown at them and a shot or two fired. No one was injured. General Pershing said some sup-

plies had been purchased in Chihuahua but the limited amount made it almost impossible to get provisions. The excellent work done by the headquarters officials are anxiously

aeroplanes has been so marked that awaiting reinforcement of that arm of the service. General Pershing's reports indicate that the five still in service are doing good work in scouting and carrying dispatches.

French Capture Trenches.

Paris.-The capture by French troops of about 175 yards of a German trench southwest of Douaumont village, northeast of Verdun, was announced by the war office. Progress in communicating trenches south of the village also was reported.

The Germans made two handgrenade attacks on French positions in the Caillette wood, in the Douaumont region, but both were repulsed. West of the Meuse there was only feeble artillery activity.

Nine Killed by Submarine. Malta, via London.-One engineer and eight lascars of the crew of the steamer Chantala, were killed when the vessel was sunk by a submarine.

Lansing Replies to Protest. Paris, via London. - Professor James Mark Baldwin, American survivor of the Sussex disaster, who cabled a protest to President Wilson regarding the destruction of the crosschannel steamer, received at his residence in Wimereux the following reply from Secretary of State Lansing:

"The President has communicated to me your cable of April 1. The Department is giving to the Sussex case the most serious attention and the greatest care.

"LANSING." (Signed)

Sumter has just awarded contracts for \$225,000 worth of street paving. Governor Manning made a motor trip into Kershaw, Lee and Sumter counties last week. Columbia won in the Y. M. C. A.

campaign in which six Southeastern Gov. Manning has appointed the following township assessors for Lee county; C. L. Stuckey W. R. DuBose, T. C. Roberson and A. D. McCoy. Trustees of the State Colored College at Orangeburg are planning to

stroyed by fire.

Judson Management at Greenville Finds Convenient Plan.-Payment to Be Made in Six Years.

ownership is one of the essentials for the happiest citizenry, the Judson mill bank, in payment for the entire issue management has decised a plan of refunding bonds which had been whereby employes of that mili may purchased by a syndicate of banks buy residence lots at a very low fig. formed by Mr. Matthews on terms ure and on easy payments. Having very advantageous to the state, in bought the lot, the mill management will undertake to erect for the purchaser a house thereon, not to exceed \$1.000 in cost, and to allow the purchaser as much as six years to make all payments. The interest rate will

be 7 per cent. A street has been laid off, though not yet graded, and some 30 lots, 60 by 150 feet, mapped out. Fourteen of these lots nave been sold.

The location of these lots is near the Piedmont & Northern line, contiguous to the present Judson mill consols and in doing so had occasion village. Four houses have been erected already. No house, under the con- \$1,000,000 each. One lot delivered tract, can cost less than \$650. The through the Palmetto National bank cottages now erected are neat and was taken up with a check for more

The mill management is seeking to ployes toward the goal of home own- Stacy & Braun, the Mercantile Trust ership which will certainly mean and Deposit company, Townsend Scott more happiness for all concerned, & Son and the Germania Savings more prosperity and stability in em- bank. The par value of the securiployment. In addition to making this ties it bought was \$4,731,720. Premproposition in regard to the purchase ium and interest amounted to \$47, of lots and the erection of homes, Jud- 317.20, which made the total payment son mill is now employing two welfare \$4,779,037.20. workers, making arrangements for various kinds of outdoor sports and doing other community work, all of which is of a co-operative nature.

Property Will Be Closely Inspected. Columbia.—Orders have been issued from the office of the adjutant general for the inspection of the National Guard of this state. Gen. Wm. W. Moore will be the inspecting officer. The tour begins April 17 and ends May

Particular attention will be devoted to the care and preservation of the government property by the company commanders. The books and records of each company will be carefully inspected. In addition to the verification of the government property, the inspection will include a careful examination of the manner in which the company affairs are administered, the examination of the finances of the companies, extended order drill, fire discipline and an inspection to determine whether the companies are prepared for active service in the field. Any company failing to have 75 per cent of its enlisted strength present at inspection will, under the laws of the state, be disbanded.

Teach Indians Better Way. Rock Hill.-The committee of wo men of the Baptist churches of Rock Hill, appointed by the district convention of the Baptist Woman's Missionary societies at a recent meeting in this city to aid in securing funds for last year to do business in South Car the building of a Baptist church on the reservation of the Catawba Indians, collected about \$125 for this purpose censes for the ensuing year, according as a result of the 'tag day" campaign. This amount added to the sum already | fice of the insurance commissioner contributed from various sources amounts to almost half of the \$1,000 or three more recently chartered will desired for the modest church build- also continue to transact business ing which the Baptists hope to have The new licenses date from April 1 erected on the reservation.

Cadets Will Camp at Anderson. Anderson.-President Riggs Clemson College has announced that of Charleston, Southern Underwriters the corps of cadets would encamp in of Greensboro, N. C., Southern Stock contests this city during the week beginning of Greensboro, Underwriters of April 24. Commandant Jones has in- Greensboro, New Brunswick of New spected the proposed site on Green- Jersey, New Jersey of Newark, Amerville street and says it is ideal for ican Druggists of Cincinnati, Georgia the purpose. The entire corps of 750 Home of Columbus, Pacific of New men will make the trip from the col- York, and the Germania of New lege and spend the entire week here.

Charleston Losti n Fight. Washington.-Charleston lost her fight in the house for an appropriation of \$175,000 for the purpose of deepening the approach to the navy yard, in spite of the fact that Representative Whaley, supported by Representative Lever, made an earnest plea and had the assistance of several members of the South Carolina delegation.

Charleston Lost In Fight. Washington. - Congressman Ragsdale secured the appointment of Ed-

ward B. Wheeler of Marion as naval aide to Ambassador Sharp at Paris.

SOUTH CAROLINA NEWS ITEMS.

A. G. Smith, agriculturalist of the United States office of farm management, has practically completed his investigation into the cost of produc-Ing cotton in South Carolina and the report will be filed next week with the national department of agriculture. The investigation has covered a period of about 15 months and much valuable information has been gathered. Exhaustive investigations have been made in Anderson and Orangeburg counties.

Mutual Company Commissioned. The Florence County Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company has been commissioned by the secretary of state to de ag eneral fire insurance business. The petitioners are: J. W. Mc-Cown, E. M. Matthews, L. A. McCall, Jr., F. L. Howard, A. B. Hamer, R. E. Currin, J. E. Pettigraw, J. S. McKenzie. D. E. Fraser, M. H. Purvis, W. H. Keith, S. E. Jefford: and T. I. Burch. This is the fourth mutual fire insurance actapany to be commissioned since the passage of the anti-compact law by the legislature.

HOUSES FOR MILL WORKERS State Bonds Sold and Payment Made. Nearly ten millions of dollars was handled one day recently by the state treasurer, S. T. Carter, in the process

of refunding the state securities known as brown consols. Early in the day Mr. Carter was handed a check Greenville.—Believing that home for \$4,779,037,20 by J. Pope Matthews cashier of the Palmetto National competition with a number of other

> The new bords had already been placed in the hands of trustees in Charleston, Baltimore and New York and by these they were delivered to the new owners on receipt of dispatches from Columbia saying pay ment had been made. In this way not a day's interest was lost.

Mr. Carter redeemed during the day several large batches of the old brown to write several checks for more than than two and a quarter millions.

Mr. Matthews' syndicate is composwork in conjunction with the em ed of the Palmetto National bank,

The new bonds bear interest at the rate of 4 per cent, whereas the brown consols for which they were that there will be a large saving to the state by reason of the refunding. The bonds are what is known as "20-40" bonds, since their term is 40 years, but the state has the option of taking them up at any time after the expiration of 20 years.

Insurance A Puzzle to Leaders.

"The insurance commissioner has failed in his expectations to provide relief; the warehouse commissione is about to fail in his efforts to secure the insurance necessary on cotton stored in state warehouses," said Gov. Manning in a statement on the insurance situation. The governor a few days ago received a letter from John L. McLaurin, state warehouse com missioner, advising him that the 'insurance on state cotton is intact, but I do not know how long it may remain so." Commissioner McLaurin urged the governor to call a special session of the legislature to provide relief in the present emergency. 'I shall without delay use every ef-

fort officially and personally to remedy the situation," said Gov. Manning.

Thirteen Companies Stay.

Thirteen of the 93 stock fire insurance companies that were authorized olina have renewed or given notice of their intention of renewing their li to information given out from the of All the old mutual companies and two for the succeeding 12 months. The 13 companies are: Equitable of

Charleston, Palmetto of Sumter, South of Carolina of Columbia, Southern Home The Gerrmania has paid its York. license fees but has not signified its intention of establishing and agencies for the writing of business.

> New Enterprises Authorized. A commission was issued to the

Charleston Cement Products corporation with a capital of \$5,000. The petitioners are: Walter B. Wilbur and J. J. Murray. The Finn Jewelry company of Walterboro has been chartered with a

capital of \$5,000. The officers are: A. Finn, president, and S. Finn, sec retary and treasurer.

Yonce & Co. of Graniteville has been commissioned with a capital of \$1,000. The petitioners are: G. W. Yonce and Mrs. Cora P. Yonce.

The Consolidated Garage of Charleston has been commissioned with a capital of \$10,000. The petitioners are Hugo Jahnz and E. A. Jahnz, Jr. The Summerton Drug Company has been commissioned with a capital of \$2,000. The petitioners are C. V. Du-Bose and L. W. Carrigan.

A charter has been issued to the Fountain Inn Jersey Bull Association with a capital of \$1,400. The officers are: S. L. Sloan, president, and E. J. Sloan, secretary and treasurer.

Can't Use Mexican Railways. Queretaro, Menico.-The Mexican government has not given the American government permission to use Mexican railways for any purpose whatever, said Gen. Candido Aguilar, Mexican minister of foreign relations after a meeting of the Carranza cabinet. At the cabinet meeting General Carranza and his advisers discussed modifications suggested by the United States in the recent proposals for an agreement for crossing the frontier between the United States and Mexico by their armed forces.

Which Do You Prefer?

It is important for reasons of health and practical economy for every housekeeper to ask herself this question:

"Do I prefer a pure baking powder like Royal, made of cream of tartar derived from grapes, or am I willing to use a baking powder made of alum or phosphate, both derived from mineral sources?"

The names of the ingredients printed. on the label show whether the kind you are now using or any brand, new or old, that may be offered is a genuine cream of tartar powder, or merely a phosphate or alum compound.

Royal Baking Powder contains no alum nor phosphate.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO. New York

FIELD DAY

Friday, April 14th, 1916, Beginning at 10:30 O'clock.

Following the plan of last year, the county is divided into the following groups for the purpose of selecting representatives to exchanged carried 4 1-2 per cent, so take part in the Declamation contests; also for the athetetic contests.

Pinewood group, consisting of Pinewood, Paxville, Big Branch, Home Branch, Silver, Grange Hall and Pineland schools. Summerton group, consisting of Summerton. Davis Station,

Oak Grove, Cross Roads, Panola and Jordan schools. Sardinia group, consisting of Sardina, Enterprise, Harmony, Oakda le, New Zion, (consolidated) Barrow, and New Harmony

Turbeville group, consisting of Turbeville, Coker, Gamble, Hicks, McFaddin, Barrineau, and Sunny Side schools. Manning group, consisting of Manning, Alcolu, Trinity, Har-

vir, Foreston, Wilson, Baywood, Thigpen, Mission, Green Savana, Deep Creek, Bear Creek, and Line schools. Each school is entitled to send a boy and a girl representative

for each classification to the group contest event. Each school group is entitled to select from those contestants two representatives, a boy and a girl, for each classification to take part in the Declamation contests at the General Field Day occasion

The teachers of the schools in the respective groups are expected to confer and arrange a date before the general field day to try out" their representatives, and thus select one boy and one girl for each of the following divisions:

Class A-Boys and girls under 12 years of age.

Class B-Boys and girls from 12 to 15 years of age. Class C-Boys and girls from 15 to 18 years of age.

In order for the schools not to lose time from the regular school work, it is suggested that a Saturday be used as a;"try out"

The various school groups may provide prizes for the winners f they so decide.

The winners at the General Field Day will be given appropriate prizes, some of which will consist of gold medals.

It will be seen that the plan this year causes boys to compete with boys, and girls with girls.

ATHLETICS.

The athletic sports will take place immediately after the dinner hour, and will consist, for the Boys, of Running High Jump, Running Broad Jump, Standing Broad Jump, and racing contests, 50, 75, and 100 yards, according to age as per the declamation

For Girls there will be racing contests, and such other features as the committee may determine at the time. Prizes to be awarded the winners.

LITERARY FEATURES.

Written examinations will be held at Manning on Saturday, April 8th., in which each school at large in the county will be entitled to one representative for each feature. Examination to be gin at eleven o'clock, and close at one o'clock. No pupil permitted to take more than one examination. No one permitted to enter after

Spelling, 5th and 6th grades, 50 words from Hunt's Speller, Book 2 Spelling, 7th grades and up, 50 or more words, selected mainly from Payne's Common Words Commonly Misspelled.

Arithmetic-Common fractions, planned for 5th and 6th Arithemetic-To cover common and decimal fractions, planned

for 7th and 8th grades. Algebra-Up to factoring, planned for 7th and 8th grades. Algebra-Factoring and fractions above 8th grades.

Grammar-Kinard-Withers. Book 1, planned for 5th grade. Grammar-Kinard-Withers, Book 2, planned for 6th and 7th

No contestant capable of the more advance work, permitted to compete in the lower subject. The contestants must actually be students in the books specificed.

Composition work for the more advanced pupils on the question of "Preparedness"-Why or why not should the United States provide a large army and navy? Each contestant can take either side of the question. The best compositions, two from each school, should be sent to the County Superintendent by April 1st. The winners will be announced on Field Day, April 14th. Suitable prizes will-be awarded.

In case any school in the county has to close its session before any of the dates specified, the teacher should plan to have the school representented, and the contestants to attend the group event. There will be no need for any school to be deprived of any the advantages offered.

Baseball, Basketball, and other enjoyments to complete the day. Let all come prepared to get the most possible out of all the

For any additional information, Address the County Superindent of Education.

Remember Clarendon's Big Celebration to be held in Manning-FIELD DAY-on April 14th, 1916. METZ'S BAND from Charleston will Furnish Music for the Occasion.